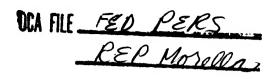
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The Honorable Constance A. Morella House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mrs. Morella:

The Director has asked me to respond to your letter of 10 August 1987.

Thank you for your invitation to participate in the Excalibur Award Program recognizing outstanding accomplishments by Federal employees. The Agency is an active supporter of this program and we will be submitting our candidates to your office prior to the deadline.

Sincerely,

David D. Gries
Director of Congressional Affairs

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# Congress of the United States

### Nouse of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

August 10, 1987

The Honorable William Webster Director Central Intelligence Agency Headquarters Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Director:

As Congresswoman for Maryland's 8th District and as a member of the Federal Government Task Force Committee, I am pleased to sponsor the 1987 Excalibur Award program recognizing outstanding accomplishments by federal civilian and military personnel.

My office is currently seeking nominations for the 1987 Awards. I ask for your help in identifying the individuals deserving of recognition by the Congress and the American people. Nominations should include the name, title, grade, organization, and location of the nominee; a brief description of the exceptional contribution; and the name and phone number of an individual within your agency to contact for further information. Nominations should be forwarded to: Congresswoman Constance A. Morella, 11141 Georgia Avenue, Suite 302, Wheaton, Maryland, 20902, Attn: Mary Jane Rawlins.

You and your agency play an important role in the selection of the Excalibur Awards which contribute so much to the greater appreciation of public service achievements. I need your support in communicating throughout your agency my interest in receiving nominations.

Excalibur Award winners will be selected by a special committee, the Chairman of which will be the Honorable Charles McC. Mathias. After the award winners are announced, your attendance will be requested at a ceremony in honor of their achievements.

If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Rawlins in my Wheaton office at 301-946-6801. I look forward to your participation in this very important program which will contribute to greater awareness and recognition of public service achievements. The deadline for receiving the 1987 nominations is Friday, October 30, 1987.

Sincerely.

Constance A. Morella Member of Congress

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#### EXCALIBUR AWARD

FACT SHEET

Congresswoman Constance A. Morella, member of the Federal Government Service Task Force is sponsoring the 1987 Excalibur Award program. The purpose of the award is to recognize and honor outstanding contributions made by federal civilian and military personnel.

#### WHAT ARE ITS OBJECTIVES?

- 1. To encourage initiative and excellence in performance by government employees.
- 2. To publicize such achievements and enhance public appreciation of the merit and performance of government employees, helping to counter the negative image sometimes associated with government service.
- 3. To help attract talented persons to the federal service.

### WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION OF NOMINEES?

On a yearly basis, candidates for the Excalibur Award are sought who exemplify:

- 1. Outstanding efforts or leadership in solving problems at local, national, or international levels.
- 2. Exceptional scientific, technical, or administrative achievements.
- 3. Superior service to the public, such as the improvement of efficiency including simplification of government regulations.
- 4. Ability to overcome obstacles to organizational objectives, such as making substantial savings in expenditures.
- 5. High personal integrity, moral character, and courage in dealing with difficult or sensitive problems.
- 6. Unusual degree of imagination and initiative involved in a specific achievement impacting on the agency and the public.

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE AND HOW ARE NOMINATIONS MADE?

All federal career civilian and military employees are eligible. Normally, each award goes to one individual, but a small team of persons who have worked jointly on a project may also be considered.

Nominations are invited from heads and other officials of federal departments and agencies, from other organizations and from the general public.

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Nominations summarizing the individual's applevement should not endeed one page in length. Interested persons should send nominations to:

Congresswoman Constance A. Morella 11141 Georgia Avenue, Suite 302 Wheaton, Maryland 20902 Attn: Mary Jane Rawlins

The deadline for receiving nominations is Friday, October 30, 1987.

### WHO WILL SELECT THE AWARD RECIPIENTS?

Final selections are made by an impartial committee appointed by Congresswoman Morella and chaired by the Honorable Charles McC. Mathias.

#### HOW IS THE AWARD GIVEN?

The award is granted in the form of a plaque and an honorary citation. It will be presented by Congresswoman Morella at a ceremony held at the U.S. Capitol in the presence of other members of Congress, officials of the executive branch, members of the Excalibur Award Selection Committee, and representatives of the news media.